DOWNEY BRAND LLP 1 CLIFTON J. McFARLAND (Bar No. 136940) AMILIA SANDERS (Bar No. 222782) 2 4:20PM 555 Capitol Mall, Tenth Floor Sacramento, CA 95814-4686 3 Telephone: (916) 444-1000 Facsimile: (916) 444-2100 4 cmcfarland@downeybrand.com 5 asanders@downeybrand.com Attorneys for Defendant 6 AMERICAN ELECTRONICS, INC. 7 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 8 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ORANGE 9 10 CASE NO. 04CC00715 ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT, 11 **DEFENDANT AMERICAN** Plaintiff, 12 **ELECTRONICS, INC.'S RESPONSE TO** PLAINTIFF'S FIRST SET OF SPECIAL 13 INTERROGATORIES NORTHROP CORPORATION; 14 NORTHROP GRUMMAN CORPORATION; AMERICAN 15 ELECTRONICS, INC.; MAG AEROSPACE INDUSTRIES, INC.; 16 GULTON INDUSTRIES, INC.; MARK IV INDUSTRIES, INC.; EDO 17 CORPORATION; AEROJET-GENERAL CORPORATION: MOORE BUSINESS 18 FORMS, INC.; AC PRODUCT, INC.; FULLERTON MANUFACTURING 19 COMPANY: FULLERTON BUSINESS PARK LLC; and DOES 1 through 400, 20 inclusive, 21 Defendants. 22 Plaintiff ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT PROPOUNDING PARTY : 23 Defendant AMERICAN ELECTRONICS, INC. RESPONDING PARTY 24 One 25 SET NO. III26 27 /// 28 795314.3 AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' RESPONSES TO PLAINTIFFS' FIRST SET OF SPECIAL INTERROGATORIES

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT AND GENERAL OBJECTIONS

Defendant AMERICAN ELECTRONICS, INC. ("AMERICAN ELECTRONICS") hereby responds to Plaintiff ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT's ("OCWD") First Set of Special Interrogatories ("Interrogatories"). Each of the following objections is incorporated by reference into each response set forth below.

- 1. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides these responses in accordance with what AMERICAN ELECTRONICS understands and/or recalls as of the date of these responses. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' investigation of the facts and law related to this case continues and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS has not completed its discovery or preparation for trial. While AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' responses to each of these Interrogatories is based on a reasonable and diligent investigation and search for the information requested, further discovery and analysis may reveal additional information, add meaning to known facts, and establish additional conclusions. Therefore, these responses are provided without prejudice to AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' right to add to, modify, or otherwise change or amend these responses. By providing these responses and objections at this time, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS does not intend to prejudice or waive any of AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' rights to utilize subsequently discovered information, other forms of evidence of facts yet to be discovered, or information that was unintentionally omitted.
- AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to these Interrogatories insofar as they call for information in the possession, custody, and control of public agencies as this information is as readily available to OCWD as it is to AMERICAN ELECTRONICS.
- 3. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to these Interrogatories to the extent that they seek information that has already been provided to, is already in the possession, custody, or control of, or is otherwise readily available to OCWD and are thus duplicative, unnecessary, burdensome, and harassing.
- 4. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to each definition and Interrogatory to the extent that it seeks information that is neither relevant to the subject matter of the action nor

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reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.

- b. Accordingly, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to each and every Interrogatory insofar as OCWD fails to limit the scope of the Interrogatory to property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California.
- AMERICAN ELECTRONICS further objects to each Interrogatory on the grounds that it
  is overbroad, burdensome, and oppressive due to OCWD's failure to limit the
  Interrogatories in time and/or to the period of AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' occupancy
  of 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California.
- 6. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to each definition and Interrogatory to the extent that it seeks information protected by the attorney-client privilege, the work-product doctrine, and/or any other applicable privilege or confidentiality protection. Any inadvertent disclosure of any privileged or protected information shall neither constitute a waiver of any privilege nor a waiver of any rights AMERICAN ELECTRONICS may have to object to the use of any of the information in any subsequent proceedings or at trial.
  - a. Accordingly, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to OCWD's definition of "YOU," which includes AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' attorneys and consultants on the grounds that OCWD seeks information protected from disclosure by the attorney-client privilege, the work-product doctrine, and/or any other applicable privilege or confidentiality protection.
- 7. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to each Interrogatory to the extent that it seeks to discover sensitive, confidential, proprietary, and/or commercial information, the discovery of which could be damaging to the business or property of AMERICAN ELECTRONICS and which is protected by constitutional, statutory, or common law rights of privacy.
- 8. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to these Interrogatories to the extent that they request information that is not within its possession, custody, or control and are thus overly broad and burdensome.

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- a. Accordingly, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to each and every Interrogatory insofar as it requests information related to property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Anaheim, California. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS neither owned nor conducted operations at property located in Anaheim, California. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS will interpret each such Interrogatory as requesting information regarding property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California.
- b. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to each and every Interrogatory insofar as OCWD fails to limit the scope of the Interrogatory to activities, if any, conducted by AMERICAN ELECTRONICS.
- 9. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to these Interrogatories on the grounds that OCWD has exceeded the number of specially prepared interrogatories allowed under California Code of Civil Procedure section 2030.030 and its Declaration for Additional Discovery incorrectly represents that the total number of Interrogatories being served by OCWD is (fifty-two) 52 when it is actually sixty-two (62) total Interrogatories.

# **INTERROGATORY RESPONSES**

#### SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 1:

State YOUR name as it appears in YOUR current articles of incorporation. ("YOU" or "AMERICAN ELECTRONICS" refers to defendant American Electronics, Inc., its employees, agents, attorneys, consultants, and anyone else acting on its behalf.)

## **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 1:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: "American Electronics, Inc." is the name that appears on the Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation of American Electronics, Inc., filed with the California Secretary of State's office on June 21, 1996.

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#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 2:**

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State all other names YOU used since 1960.

## **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 2:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS has used the names American Pacesetter, Inc. and American Electronics, Inc.

# **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 3:**

At any time in the past, did YOU own the property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California?

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 3:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: Yes, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS owned property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California.

#### SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 4:

If YOU owned the property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California, list the dates of YOUR ownership.

#### RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 4:

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS owned property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, from approximately April 9, 1979, to June 8, 1998.

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# **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 5:**

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At any time in the past, did YOU lease the property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California Anaheim, California?

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 5:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory on the grounds that it is vague and ambiguous as to whether AMERICAN ELECTRONICS was the lessee or lessor of property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response:

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS leased, as lessee, property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS leased, as lessor, property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, to Wilson's Art Studio, Inc. and National Technical Systems.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 6:**

If YOU leased the property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California list the dates of YOUR tenancy.

#### RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 6:

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory on the grounds that it is vague and ambiguous as to whether AMERICAN ELECTRONICS was the lessee or lessor of 1600 E. Valencia Drive. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS leased, as lessee, property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, from approximately October 7, 1969, through April 8, 1979.

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#### SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 7:

At any time in the past, did YOU occupy the property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California Anaheim, California?

## RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 7:

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: Yes, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS occupied property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 8:**

If YOU occupied the property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California list the dates of YOUR tenancy.

# RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 8:

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS occupied property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, between approximately October 7, 1969, and June 8, 1998.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 9:**

IDENTIFY each product that YOU used to degrease metal at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California?

# RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 9:

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is presently unaware of the

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products it used to degrease metal at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 10:**

IDENTIFY each product that YOU used to clean metal at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California?

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 10:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is presently unaware of the products it used to clean metal at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

# **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 11:**

Describe in detail YOUR use of any dip tanks at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California.

## **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 11:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is informed and believes that it may have utilized dip tanks in either its precision power or electro-mechanical instruments divisions. Metal parts were placed in metal dip cages, lowered into the dip tanks, and then removed from the dip tanks. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 12:**

What activities did YOU engage in that used trichloroethylene (TCE)? ("TCE" means trichloroethene.)

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 12:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is informed and believes that it may have used TCE in its operations at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, but is presently unaware of the activities in which it engaged that used TCE. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 13:

What activities did YOU engage in that used tetrachloroethene (PCE, a.k.a. perchloroethene)?

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 13:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is informed and believes that it may have used PCE in its operations at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, but is presently unaware of the activities in which it engaged that used PCE. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 14:

Describe all activities in the chemical storage area at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California during YOUR occupancy, which generated waste.

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#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 14:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory insofar as it implies or assumes that AMERICAN ELECTRONICS conducted activities at its chemical storage area at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, that generated waste. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is presently unaware of any activities conducted in the chemical storage area at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, that generated waste. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 15:**

Describe in detail YOUR use of any disposal pits at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California.

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 15:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory insofar as it implies or assumes that AMERICAN ELECTRONICS used disposal pits at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is presently informed and believes that it did not use any disposal pits at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 16:**

Describe all activities at 1600 E. Valencia Avenue Drive, Anaheim, California which

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# **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 16:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory insofar as it implies or assumes that AMERICAN ELECTRONICS conducted activities at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, that generated solvent waste. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response:

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is informed and believes that it may have utilized dip tanks in either its precision power or electro-mechanical instruments divisions, but is presently unaware of whether these operations generated solvent waste. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

# **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 17:**

Did YOU dispose of any chemical waste at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California? **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 17:** 

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: No, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS did not dispose of chemical waste at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California.

# **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 18:**

Did YOU store any chemical waste at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California? RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 18:

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as

though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS

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provides the following response: Yes, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS stored chemical waste at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California.

# **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 19:**

Did YOU use SOLVENTS at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California? (SOLVENTS means any product which contains one or more of the following chemicals, trichloroethene (TCE), tetrachloroethene (a.k.a. perchloroethylene) (PCE), 1,1 -dichloroethene (1,1-DCE), 1,2-dichloroethane (1,2-DCA), 1,4-dioxane (1,4D), 1,1,1-trichloroethane (1,1,1-TCA), 1,1,2-trichloroethane (1,1,2-TCA), 1,2,-3-trichloropropane (TCP), 1,1-dichloroethane (1,1-DCA), methylene chloride, trans-1, 2,-dichloroethene (trans-1, 2-DCE) and cis-1, 2dichloroethene (cis-1,2-DCE).)

# **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 19:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is informed and believes that it may have used TCE, PCE, and 1,1,1-TCA at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 20:

What SOLVENTS did YOU use at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California? **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 20:** 

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is informed and believes that it may have used TCE, PCE, and 1,1,1-TCA at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the

right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

**SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 21:** 

Did YOU store any waste containing SOLVENTS at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California?

# **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 21:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is informed and believes that it may have stored wastes containing PCE and/or TCE at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 22:**

Did you use STORAGE TANKS for SOLVENT at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California during your occupancy? (STORAGE TANKS refers to above-ground or underground storage tanks.)

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 22:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: No, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS did not use storage tanks to store solvents at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 23:**

Did YOU dispose of any waste containing SOLVENTS at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California?

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SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 24:

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disposing into the environment, including the abandonment or discarding of barrels, containers and other closed receptacles containing SOLVENTS. To "DESCRIBE" a release means to identify the date of the release(s), cause of the release and quantity released.)

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the

Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as

containing solvents at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California.

though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS

provides the following response: No, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS did not dispose of any waste

DESCRIBE all RELEASES of SOLVENTS at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim,

California which occurred during your occupancy. ("RELEASES" means any spilling, leaking,

pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging, injecting, escaping, leaching, dumping or

# **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 24:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is presently unaware of any releases of solvents that occurred during AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' occupancy of property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 25:**

DESCRIBE all RELEASES of SOLVENTS at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California which occurred before YOUR occupancy.

# **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 25:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the

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Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is presently unaware of any releases of solvents that occurred before AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' occupancy of property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 26:

DESCRIBE all RELEASES of SOLVENTS at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California which occurred after YOUR occupancy.

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 26:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is presently unaware of any releases of solvents that occurred after AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' occupancy of property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 27:

DESCRIBE all RELEASES of chemical waste at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California?

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 27:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is presently unaware of any

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Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its

response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

# **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 28:**

To YOUR knowledge, has SOLVENT been detected in any soil sample taken at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California?

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 28:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: PCE and TCE have been detected in soil samples taken at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, by AMERICAN ELECTRONICS in response to the October 26, 1998 request from the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, ("Regional Board") that AMERICAN ELECTRONICS conduct a subsurface investigation. Neither PCE nor TCE were detected in soil samples taken at and below 100 feet below ground surface. Small concentrations (less than 10μg/kg) of 1,1,1-TCA and 1,2-DCA were detected during the 1991 Phase II Subsurface Investigation conducted by Applied Geosciences Inc. on behalf of AMERICAN ELECTRONICS. As a result of the discovery of PCE and TCE contamination at the property, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS engaged in remediation efforts, which culminated in the issuance of two no further action letters, dated April 19, 1996, and June 20, 1996, from the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, as well as a no further action letter from the Orange County Health Care Agency dated September 26, 1991.

# SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 29:

When did YOU learn of detections of SOLVENTS in soil at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California?

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#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 29:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: In approximately June 1989, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS learned that PCE and TCE were detected in soil samples taken from property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, as a result of the Subsurface Investigation conducted by Ray E. Lewis Engineering, Inc., a consultant retained by AMERICAN ELECTRONICS in response to an October 26, 1988 request from the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region. In approximately August 1991, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS learned that small concentrations (less than 10µg/kg) of 1,1.1-TCA and 1,2-DCA were detected in soil samples taken from the property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, during the 1991 Phase II Subsurface Investigation conducted by Applied Geosciences Inc. on behalf of AMERICAN ELECTRONICS. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 30:**

To YOUR knowledge, has SOLVENT been detected in any soil-vapor sample at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim; California?

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 30:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: PCE, TCE, 1,1,1-TCA, 1,1-DCE have been detected in soil-vapor samples taken at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, from depths of approximately eight (8) feet below ground surface to 20 feet below ground surface by AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' consultant during a 1991 soil-gas survey. As a result of the

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discovery of contamination at the property, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS engaged in remediation efforts which culminated with the issuance of two no further action letters, dated April 19, 1996, and June 20, 1996, from the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, as well as a no further action letter from the County of Orange Health Care Agency dated September 26, 1991.

# SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 31:

When did YOU learn of detections of SOLVENTS in soil vapor samples at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California?

# **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 31:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: In approximately March 1992, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS learned that PCE, TCE, 1,1,1-TCA, 1,1-DCE were detected in soil vapor samples taken at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, by its consultant on December 19 and 20, 1991. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

# SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 32:

To YOUR knowledge, has SOLVENT been detected in any groundwater sample at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California?

# RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 32:

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory on the grounds that it is vague and ambiguous, insofar as OCWD requests information related to groundwater samples "at" 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Groundwater samples are collected from the subsurface beneath property. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this

When did YOU learn of detections of SOLVENTS in groundwater at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California?

#### RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 33:

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory on the grounds that it is vague and ambiguous, and therefore overbroad, insofar as OCWD requests information related to groundwater samples "at" 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Groundwater samples are collected from the subsurface beneath property. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory insofar as it implies or assumes that activities at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, have impacted the groundwater beneath the

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#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 34:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: Yes, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS has sampled soil at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, for the presence of solvents.

#### SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 35:

Have YOU ever sampled soil vapor at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California for the presence SOLVENTS?

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 35:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the

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Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: Yes, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS has sampled soil vapor at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, for the presence of solvents.

# **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 36:**

Have YOU ever sampled groundwater at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California for the presence SOLVENTS?

# **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 36:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory on the grounds that it is vague and ambiguous, and therefore overbroad, insofar as OCWD requests information related to groundwater samples "at" 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Groundwater samples are collected from the subsurface beneath property. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory insofar as it implies or assumes that activities at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, have impacted the groundwater beneath the property. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: Yes, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS has sampled groundwater beneath property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, for the presence of solvents.

# **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 37:**

When did YOU conduct sampling for SOLVENTS at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California?

# **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 37:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS began sampling for solvents at

## SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 38:

Why did YOU sample for SOLVENTS at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California? **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 38:** 

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS initially began sampling for the presence of solvents at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, in response to the October 26, 1998 request from the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, (the "Regional Board") that AMERICAN ELECTRONICS conduct a subsurface investigation at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, in order to assess the extent of the groundwater contamination discovered by the Regional Board in the Fullerton/Anaheim area in 1987.

#### SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 39:

Describe the action YOU took upon learning that SOLVENTS were detected at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California?

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AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: In 1987, the California Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, (the "Regional Board") notified AMERICAN ELECTRONICS that sampling results from wells in the Fullerton/Anaheim area revealed the presence of organic contaminants in the groundwater. Subsequently, the Regional Board requested that AMERICAN ELECTRONICS fill out a questionnaire regarding its operations history at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, (the "Property"), which AMERICAN ELECTRONICS completed and returned on April 8, 1987. On October 26, 1988, the Regional Board requested that AMERICAN ELECTRONICS conduct a subsurface investigation of the Property in order to aid the Regional Board in determining potential sources of groundwater contamination in the area. As a result, in November 1988, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS retained Ray E. Lewis Consulting Engineers, Inc. ("REL") to voluntarily provide the Regional Board with the requested information.

On December 13, 1988, REL submitted a work plan for its subsurface investigation of the Property. In February 1989, after the Regional Board provided comments to REL's proposed work plan, REL began implementing the work plan to assess the presence of volatile organic compounds ("VOCs") in the soil and groundwater in and beneath the Property. REL's subsurface investigation involved the drilling, installation, and sampling of three groundwater monitoring wells known as BP-1, BP-2, and BP-3 between March 22, 1989 and April 5, 1989. The soil and groundwater sampling conducted during this period revealed the presence of PCE and TCE in the soil and TCE in the groundwater.

In February 1990, REL presented a Plan of Action to the Regional Board. On June 11, 1990, in response to Regional Board comments, REL submitted a Revised Plan of Action. On August 16, 1990, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS submitted the results of REL's August 8, 1990

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sampling of BP-1, BP-2, and BP-3 and agreed to install three additional monitoring wells, BP-4, BP-5, and BP-6.

In approximately December 1990, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS retained Applied Geosciences, Inc. ("AGI") to continue the investigatory work previously conducted by REL. On December 10, 1990, AGI submitted a Proposed Subsurface Investigation to the Regional Board, modifying the previous scope of work conducted by REL. AGI's Subsurface Investigation involved the drilling of monitoring wells BP-4, BP-5, and BP-6, as well as three soil borings, SB-1, SB-2, and SB-3. The results of AGI's Subsurface Investigation were presented to the Regional Board in an August 30, 1991 report.

On September 26, 1991, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS received a letter from the County of Orange Health Care Agency regarding Industrial Cleanup and Remedial Action and Referral to the Regional Board stating that American Electronics had completed its "site assessment and remedial action in regards to soil contamination . . . ."

In response to the Regional Board's suggestion that AMERICAN ELECTRONICS further investigate the lateral and vertical extent of the contamination at the Property, on November 14, 1991, AGI proposed conducting a soil-gas survey and advancing soil borings at the Property. On December 20, 1991, the Regional Board approved AGI's plan. On December 19 and 20, 1991, AGI conducted a soil-gas survey. Based on the results of the soil-gas survey, AGI advanced four (4) soil borings to depths of approximately 20 feet BGS.

On April 14, 1994, AGI submitted a vapor extraction system proposal to the Regional Board. The Regional Board approved AGI's proposal on May 23, 1994. Between June and October 1994, AGI assembled and installed the vapor extraction system on the Property. Vapor extraction system startup and initial operations occurred between October 13 and November 15, 1994. During this time period, AGI operated the vapor extraction system on a 24-hour-per-day basis, with minor exceptions. AGI monitored the system on a daily basis for the first two weeks of operation and once a week for the remaining two weeks of the startup period. AGI continued to operate the vapor extraction system until January 31, 1995, which concluded the first quarter of

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the vapor extraction system's operations. AGI's first quarter progress report evidenced a 98 percent reduction in VOC concentration in the extracted vapors and confirmed that remediation efforts were proceeding ahead of schedule. As a result, AGI shut down the vapor extraction system for two (2) weeks in order to "pulse" the system.

On April 4, 1995, AGI conducted additional sampling of the vapor extraction system, which confirmed that the vapor extraction system had reduced the VOC concentration in the soil by 98 percent. Subsequently, on May 15, 1995, AGI submitted a proposal to the Regional Board to conduct a subsurface investigation to document the completion of the remedial efforts at the Property and closure of the vapor extraction system. The Regional Board approved AGI's proposal on July 5, 1995. On July 18, 1995, AGI commenced its subsurface investigation by advancing three (3) soil borings known as CB-1, CB-2, and CB-3 on the Property. CB-1 and CB-3 were advanced to approximately 15 feet BGS and CB-2 was advanced to 13 feet BGS. The sampling results evidenced a 97 percent reduction in VOC concentrations in the soil, leading AGI to conclude that remediation of the soil was complete. AGI's closure report was transmitted to the Regional Board on August 31, 1995.

On April 19, 1996, the Regional Board issued a no further action letter to AMERICAN ELECTRONICS regarding the remediation of the soil at the Property, stating that "[b]ased on the low concentrations of volatile organic compounds that are present in the soil and the source removal action conducted, we are not requiring additional investigation or remediation of the soil." On June 20, 1996, the Regional Board issued a no further action letter to AMERICAN ELECTRONICS regarding the investigation of the groundwater beneath the Property, stating that "[b]ased on the concentrations that are present in the groundwater and the source removal action conducted, we are not requiring additional investigation or site specific remediation of groundwater." Moreover, the Regional Board acknowledged that "groundwater containing VOCs is also flowing beneath the site from an off-site source(s)." As a result, the Regional Board approved AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' removal of all monitoring equipment except for monitoring wells BP-2, BP-3, BP-4, and BP-8, which AMERICAN ELECTRONICS continued to

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wells BP-2, BP-3, BP-4, and BP-8, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' consultant, ATC Associates, Inc. ("ATC"), concluded in 1998 that "the concentrations of chlorinated hydrocarbons detected in samples collected from the monitoring wells are consistent with the background concentrations in the region and do not support the theory that the site operations have impacted the underlying aquifer." As a result, on January 8, 1998, ATC requested the Regional Board's approval to conclude the monitoring program and abandon the remaining monitoring wells on the Property. On October 30, 2003, the Regional Board approved decommissioning of groundwater monitoring wells BP-2, BP-3, BP-4, and BP-8.

Based on the results of AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' continued sampling of monitoring

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 40:**

IDENTIFY each PERSON with knowledge regarding YOUR response to the detection of SOLVENTS at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California?

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 40:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' response to the detection of solvents at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, began nearly 20 years ago. Individuals who authored the various work plans, submittals, and other reports concerning the investigation and remediation are the individuals most likely to have information regarding AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' response to the detection of solvents at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California.

# **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 41:**

IDENTIFY all PERSONS with knowledge regarding the RELEASE of SOLVENTS at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California. (PERSON includes a natural person, firm, association, organization, partnership, business, trust, corporation, or public entity. When used

with respect to an entity that is not an individual, the word "IDENTIFY" means to state the name of the entity and its present or last known business address. When used with respect to a PERSON who is an individual, the word "IDENTIFY" means to state the name, present or last known phone number, present or last known business address, present or last known employer, and the present or last known position held with such employer.)

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 41:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is presently unaware of persons with knowledge of releases of solvents at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 42:**

IDENTIFY each consultant you retained to investigate contamination at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California.

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 42:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory on the grounds that it is vague and ambiguous, and therefore overbroad, insofar as OCWD fails to define the terms "retained," "investigate," and "contamination." Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS retained the following consultants to investigate the contamination at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California:

Ray E. Lewis Consulting Engineers, Inc., 459 Holly Street, Laguna Beach, CA;
 telephone no. 714.497.1580.

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- Applied Geosciences, Inc., 17321 Irvine Blvd., Tustin, CA 92680; telephone no.
   714.734.0303.
- Cousineau, Lundblad & Associates, Inc., 1528 Via Tulipan, San Clemente, CA 92673; telephone no. 714.361.3902.
- ATC Environmental Inc., 7321 Irvine Blvd., 17321 Irvine Blvd., Tustin, CA
   92680; telephone no. 714.734.0303.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 43:**

IDENTIFY each consultant you retained to remediate contamination at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California.

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 43:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory on the grounds that it is vague and ambiguous, and therefore overbroad, insofar as OCWD fails to define the terms "retained," "remediate," and "contamination." Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS retained the following consultants to investigate the contamination at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California:

- Ray E. Lewis Consulting Engineers, Inc., 459 Holly Street, Laguna Beach, CA;
   telephone no. 714.497.1580.
- Applied Geosciences, Inc., 17321 Irvine Blvd., Tustin, CA 92680; telephone no.
   714.734.0303.
- Cousineau, Lundblad & Associates, Inc., 1528 Via Tulipan, San Clemente, CA
   92673; telephone no. 714.361.3902.
- ATC Environmental Inc., 7321 Irvine Blvd., 17321 Irvine Blvd., Tustin, CA
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**RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 44:** AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the

If remediation at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California is not currently active,

Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS completed its remediation of the soil at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, in approximately April 1996. On April 19, 1996, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, (the "Regional Board") issued a no further action letter confirming "the completion of site investigation and remedial action for soil at the site" and stating that no additional investigation or remediation of the soil was required. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS completed its investigation of the groundwater beneath 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, in approximately June 1996. On June 20, 1996, the Regional Board issued another no further action letter stating that it was "not requiring additional investigation or site specific remediation of groundwater." Based on this letter from the Regional Board, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS removed all monitoring equipment from 1900 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, except for monitoring wells BP-3, BP-3, BP-4, and BP-8, which AMERICAN ELECTRONICS continued to monitor. Monitoring wells BP-3, BP-3, BP-4, and BP-8 were properly abandoned after AMERICAN ELECTRONICS received an October 30, 2003 letter from the Regional Board authorizing the decommissioning of these monitoring wells.

# **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 45:**

IDENTIFY each PERSON who RELEASED SOLVENTS at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California.

# RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 45:

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the

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If YOU contend that any PERSON other than AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is responsible for the SOLVENT contamination found at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California, state all facts on which YOU base that contention.

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 47:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory on the grounds that it is vague and ambiguous insofar as a result of OCWD's use of the term "at." Groundwater containing TCE was found beneath the property. Subject to the foregoing

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consistently indicated that groundwater contamination was migrating beneath the property from off-site sources. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available. **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 48:** 

monitoring wells on the upgradient boundary of 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California.

objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: Groundwater

If YOU contend that any PERSON other than American Electronics is responsible for the SOLVENT contamination found at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California, IDENTIFY all witnesses who have knowledge of such facts.

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 48:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory on the grounds that it is vague and ambiguous insofar as a result of OCWD's use of the term "at." Groundwater containing TCE was found beneath the property. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: Groundwater monitoring wells on the upgradient boundary of 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California, consistently indicated that groundwater contamination was migrating beneath the property from off-site sources. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 49:**

If YOU contend that any PERSON other than American Electronics is responsible for the SOLVENT contamination found at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California, IDENTIFY all DOCUMENTS supporting this contention. (When used with respect to a DOCUMENT the word "IDENTIFY" means to state the date the DOCUMENT bears, the title of the DOCUMENT, if any, and the IDENTITY of the author or authors of the DOCUMENT. "DOCUMENT(S)" means all writings as defined by Evidence Code Section 250, as well as any recorded, magnetic or

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electronic matter of any kind whatsoever (including, without limitation, electronic, audio and/or video recordings and material for computer use), however produced or reproduced, coded or stored.)

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 49:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: Documents containing groundwater monitoring data submitted to the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, by various parties including AMERICAN ELECTRONICS. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 50:

IDENTIFY the PERSON(S) who have the most knowledgeable regarding the RELEASE of SOLVENTS at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California.

# **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 50:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: Please refer to AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' response to Interrogatory No. 39. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 51:**

IDENTIFY each PERSON who recommended that soil samples from 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California should be tested for SOLVENTS.

# **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 51:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the

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Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: Please refer to AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' response to Interrogatory No. 39. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

# **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 52:**

IDENTIFY each PERSON who recommended that soil vapor samples from 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California should be tested for SOLVENTS.

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 52:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: Please refer to AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' response to Interrogatory No. 39. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 53:

IDENTIFY each PERSON who recommended that groundwater samples from 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California should be tested for SOLVENTS.

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 53:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: Please refer to AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' response to Interrogatory No. 39. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 54:**

IDENTIFY each PERSON YOU employed who worked at 1600 E. Valencia Drive,

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Anaheim, California. (You may limit your response to persons who worked with SOLVENTS if that information is available.)

## RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 54:

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is no longer in possession of employee records or an employee roster that identifies persons it employed who worked at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. AMERICAN ELECTRONICS also is no longer in possession or employee records or an employee roster that identifies persons it employed who worked with solvents at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 55:**

IDENTIFY the PERSON(S) most knowledgeable concerning the use of SOLVENTS at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California.

# **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 55:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is presently unaware of any persons with knowledge concerning the use of solvents at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 56:**

IDENTIFY the PERSON(S) most knowledgeable concerning storage of SOLVENTS at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California.

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AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' RESPONSES TO PLAINTIFFS' FIRST SET OF SPECIAL INTERROGATORIES

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is presently unaware of persons with knowledge concerning the storage of solvents at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 57:**

IDENTIFY the PERSON(S) most knowledgeable concerning handling of SOLVENTS at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California.

# **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 57:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is presently unaware of persons with knowledge concerning the handling of solvents at property located at 1600 E. Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes available.

# **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 58:**

IDENTIFY the PERSON(S) most knowledgeable concerning the storage of SOLVENT waste at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California.

#### **RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 58:**

AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS

1	provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is presently unaware of persons		
2	with knowledge concerning the storage of solvent waste at property located at 1600 E. Valencia		
3	Drive in Fullerton, California. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS		
4	reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information becomes		
5	available.		
6	SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 59		
7	(Incorrectly numbered as Special Interrogatory No. 49):		
8	IDENTIFY the PERSON(S) most knowledgeable concerning the storage of chemical		
9	waste at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California.		
10	RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 59:		
11	AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the		
12	Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as		
13	though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS		
14	provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS is presently unaware of any		
15	persons with knowledge concerning the storage of chemical waste at property located at 1600 E.		
16	Valencia Drive in Fullerton, California. Discovery is continuing and AMERICAN		
17	ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to this Interrogatory as information		
18	becomes available.		
19	SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 60 (Incorrectly numbered as Special Interrogatory No. 50):		
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21	IDENTIFY the PERSON(S) most knowledgeable concerning the disposal of SOLVENTS		
22	at 1600 E. Valencia Drive, Anaheim, California.		
23	RESPONSE TO SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 60:		
24	AMERICAN ELECTRONICS objects to this Interrogatory for the reasons set forth in the		
25	Preliminary Statement and General Objections, which are incorporated by this reference as		
26	though fully set forth herein. Subject to the foregoing objections, AMERICAN ELECTRONICS		
27	provides the following response: AMERICAN ELECTRONICS did not dispose of solvents at		
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1	continuing and AMERICAN ELECTRONICS reserves the right to supplement its response to		
2	this Interrogatory as information becomes available.		
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4	DATED: November 20, 2006	DOWNEY BRAND LLP	
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7		CLIFTON MCFARLAND Attorneys for Defendants AMERICAN ELECTRONICS, INC.	
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I, James Heiser, declare:

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I am the Secretary of American Electronics, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of California, which is the defendant in the above-entitled action. I have been authorized to make this verification on its behalf.

I have read the foregoing American Electronics, Inc's Responses to Plaintiffs' First Set of Special Interrogatories and know the contents thereof. I am informed and believe that the matters stated therein are true.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed at \_\_\_\_\_\_, California on this \_\_\_\_\_\_ th day of November, 2006.

James Heiser

VERIFICATION FOR AMERICAN ELECTRONICS' RESPONSES TO PLAINTIFFS' 2nd SPECIAL ROGS.